## Police issue CCTV image following homophobic abuse in bar

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Police in Edinburgh have released an image of a woman they wish to speak to in connection with a hate crime that occurred around 6pm on 4th March 2016 at Sofi's Bar in Henderson Street.

A female member of staff was working within the premises when she was subjected to homophobic abuse.

The woman pictured in the CCTV footage is of interest to this ongoing investigation and anyone who recognises her is asked to come forward.

She is described as white, mid-thirties, around 5ft 7ins tall with a heavy build, shoulder-length hair that is dark at the roots and lighter at the ends, and glasses on her face. At the time of the incident, she was wearing blue jeans and a long grey coat.

Constable Shona MacKay from Leith Police Station said: "The comments directed towards the member of bar staff were completely unacceptable and we continue to progress this inquiry to trace the suspect.

"We are keen to hear from anyone who recognises the woman pictured in the CCTV footage and would ask the public to come forward if they can help us identify and trace this individual.

"In addition, anyone with any further information relevant to this investigation should also contact police immediately." Those with information can contact Police Scotland on 101 or alternatively, the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.